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Wilson Determined to Impress Germany With His Purposes

WILL ACT, IF NECESSARY,
IN CAUSE OF HUMANITY

President to Lay Before Cabinet
Course He Decides On in
German Crisis.

STRONG REPLY IS EXPECTED
Von Bernstorff, Kaiser's Ambassador
In This Country, Granted Interview
for Wednesday Noon—May Have
Important Communication to Make.

WASHINGTON, May 31.—President Wilson intends to shape the course of the United States in the international crisis which has arisen so as to leave no doubt abroad of the country's purpose—not only to speak, but, if necessary, to act, for the cause of humanity. Two things were very determined on by the President to-day.

First, that Germany's avoidance of the larger questions of humanity and the spirit of international law by a technical argument on a hitherto undisputed point in the statutes of nations, the exercise of the right of visit and search by war craft when encountering merchantmen, whether carrying contraband or not, must be met promptly with a note again setting forth briefly the facts as found by investigation of officials here as to the cargo and peaceful equipment of the Lusitania, and reiterating the earnest intention of the United States to hold the German government to "a strict accountability" for all violations of American rights on the high seas.

Second, notwithstanding the critical situation with Germany, there shall be issued to-morrow the statement which has been in preparation for several days to be communicated to the leaders of all factions in Mexico, serving notice that unless they themselves bring to an early end the deplorable conditions which their warlike policy has wrought, some other means will be found by the United States in the interest of humanity to save the millions of non-combatant Mexicans from the throes of starvation and further devastation of property.

GERMAN AMBASSADOR TO
CONFER WITH WILSON

Count von Bernstorff, the German ambassador, has been granted an interview with the President for Wednesday noon, but unless he brings some proposal from his government answering the demands of the United States differently from the note just received from Dr. von Jagow, the German Foreign Minister, a circumstance which is doubted in well-informed quarters, the President's course, as framed by him in consultation with his Cabinet to-morrow, will not be materially affected.

To-morrow the President will lay before the Cabinet both the German and the Mexican questions. The effect of the warning to Mexico, the President hopes, will be the coalition within the next few weeks of the best elements in the southern republic to form a provisional government to which the United States and other countries can accord early recognition.

The tense situation produced by the receipt of an unyielding reply from Germany to the request of the United States for reparation for the 100 American lives lost in the sinking of the Lusitania, and guaranteeing against the destruction of American lives or property in the future, overshadowed the Mexican problem, as well as all other governmental activities, to-day.

The President—upon whom rests the burden of deciding the government's foreign policy in the absence of Congress—sought solitude during the early hours of the day. He read the newspaper text of the note, the editorial comment, scores of messages, and went motoring—his favorite diversion when desirous of undisturbed application to problems of state.

The official text of the communication, differing only in phraseology from the press translations, reached the White House just before noon, as the President started for Arlington Cemetery to attend the memorial exercises of the G. A. R. and the dedication of the Maine memorial.

WANTS COURSE GUIDED
BY WISHES OF AMERICANS

The President's speech at Arlington, drawing attention to the desire of those in office guiding the destinies of the United States to embody in their acts the expression of "the untrammelled opinion" of the people of America, was interpreted by many of his hearers as meaning that Mr. Wilson was anxious that his course in the international situation be guided by the real wishes of all Americans.

While at the cemetery Mr. Wilson sketched some short-hand notes on his program, suggestions, it was believed, which occurred to him for the forthcoming note to Germany. On returning from Arlington, he remained in his study for two hours, reading the official text of the German note. He dined with his daughter, Miss Margaret Wilson, and his cousin, Miss Helen Woodrow Bones. After a short ride to-night, he returned to his work, mapping plans for the all-important Cabinet meeting to-morrow.

Just what the President will propose to his Cabinet to-morrow was a matter of wide conjecture to-night. There was a noticeable confidence, however, among Germans, having failed in principle or fact to the American point of view, the President would suggest a course following logically the strong expressions in the note of May 13. Some of those familiar with the position of high officials said the note to be sent by the United States probably would be very brief, and would be dispatched before the end of

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Gulflight Torpedoed Through Mistake

German Submarine Commander
Failed to Notice American
Flag.

WASHINGTON, May 31.—Ambassador Gerard, at Berlin, has been formally notified that the American steamer Gulflight was torpedoed through a mistake. The German submarine commander reported that he failed to notice the Gulflight's American flag, and took her for a British vessel.

The State Department announcement to-day says:

"The American ambassador at Berlin reports that the chief of the admiralty staff, Admiral Behnke, has informed him that the commander of the submarine which sank the Gulflight did so through mistake, because two boats, similar to travelers, one carrying wireless apparatus, were apparently conveying the Gulflight. The commander, therefore, thought it a British boat, and did not notice the American flag on the stern until just after giving the order to fire."

The Gulflight was attacked in the English Channel on May 1, while carrying oil from Port Arthur, Tex., to Rouen, France. Two members of the crew were drowned while taking to the boats, and the captain died from heart failure, brought on by his experience. The steamer's bulkheads prevented her from sinking, and she was towed to Crow Sound and beached for repairs.

ZEPPELINS OVER LONDON

Many Fires Reported, But These Not
Absolutely Connected With Airships.

[Special Cable to The Times-Dispatch.] LONDON, June 1.—Zeppelins passed over the outlying districts of London last night, according to an official announcement of the press bureau, made shortly after midnight.

The press bureau appends the following note to its bulletin:

"Further particulars will be issued as soon as collected and collated."

The bureau then reminds the newspapers of London, in a further warning, that "no statement must be published dealing with places in the neighborhood of London reached by aircraft or the course supposed to have been taken by them."

It adds that "the admiralty in a communique will give all the news which can properly be published."

This intimation is published to explain the absence of more detailed reports.

The press bureau issued the following official announcement last night:

"Zeppelins are reported to have been seen near Ramsgate (on the Kentish coast, sixty-five miles east-southeast of London) and Brentwood (seventeen miles east-northeast of London) and in certain outlying districts of London. Many fires are reported, but these cannot be absolutely connected with the airship visits."

From the above, which was all the censors would permit to pass to the cables up to a late hour, it would appear that the long-dreaded Zeppelin raid on London had occurred, and that the British admiralty is making every effort to minimize the alarm.

EXPECT DECISIONS TO-DAY

Supreme Court Probably Will Render
Important Opinions.

WASHINGTON, May 31.—The most important group of decisions of the year is expected from the Supreme Court to-morrow, when it reconvenes, after a two-week recess.

Cases under consideration include a series involving the constitutionality of the "grandfather clause" in Southern States, restricting the negro vote, which has been under advisement since April, 1914.

Three antitrust suits are before the court. These are the International Harvester Company dissolution proceedings, the government's anthracite coal suit against the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western Railroad Company, and the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western Coal Company, and the treble damage suit by New York shippers against South African steamship lines.

Another national question awaiting decision is the constitutionality of the Webb-Kenyon liquor law.

GENERAL TRACY INJURED

Former Secretary of Navy Hurt While
on Way to Review Parade.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] NEW YORK, May 31.—General Benjamin F. Tracy, eighty-three, prominent lawyer, and former Secretary of the Navy, to-day was injured in an automobile accident while on his way to review the Brooklyn Memorial Day parade.

He was in his automobile, when a peddler's horse, becoming unmanageable, drove the shafts of a wagon through the glass of General Tracy's limousine. He was struck in the side. Despite considerable pain, he insisted upon going to the review, but while there became weak, and went home, where medical aid was called.

CHAMP CLARK OPTIMISTIC

Thinks Situation Will Be Solved With-
out Loss of Honor.

KANSAS CITY, MO., May 31.—Champ Clark here to-night was optimistic concerning the outcome of the international situation due to the arrival of the latest German note.

"It is an ugly and aggravating situation, but hitherto we have managed by the use of diplomacy and good sense to pull out of situations as ugly and aggravating as the present one, and without the loss of honor and prestige and without the horrors of war," said Mr. Clark. "I most sincerely hope that the troubles growing out of the transatlantic war will be amicably settled, and I believe they will be."

TABLET TO VIRGINIA WOMEN UNVEILED IN HOLLYWOOD

OLD COMRADES



MILITARY PAGEANT IS VIEWED BY GREAT THROG OF PEOPLE

Grandson of J. Taylor Elly-
son Draws Cover From
Memorial.

ADDRESS IS DELIVERED
BY JUDGE CHRISTIAN

Able Defends Justice of Cause
for Which the South
Contended.

MANY VETERANS TAKE PART

Reunion Crowds Pouring Into Rich-
mond Pay Their Tribute to
Confederate Dead.

Reunion Features of To-Day

United Confederate Veterans, twenty-fifth annual reunion opens at 10 o'clock.

Sons of Confederate Veterans, Y. M. C. A. Hall, 9:30 o'clock.

Confederated Southern Memorial Association, Second Baptist Church, 10 o'clock.

Governor's reception, Executive Mansion, 5 o'clock.

Reception by Richmond Chapter, United Daughters of the Confederacy, 11 West Franklin Street, 5:30 o'clock.

Hard by where 18,000 Confederate soldiers sleep, on a gray pyramid of unmortared stone, a bronze tablet to the memory of those women of Virginia whose tireless and tender hands have kept green the moldering heaps was unveiled yesterday afternoon with all the solemnity of a sacred ceremony.

Between files of the Blues and the Grays, and while the Howitzers' cannon shuddered in salute, the Grandchildren of the Confederacy, attached to the Richmond auxiliary; the women of the Confederate Southern Memorial Association, and men who had worn, and still wear, the gray, passed to the spot on the west side of the pyramid, where the tablet had been fastened. The bands played "Onward, Christian Soldiers," the processional war hymn of all the Christian churches, and the thousands who had gathered near the scene uncovered.

TABLET UNVEILED TO WOMEN OF VIRGINIA

The veil was withdrawn by J. Taylor Ellyson Crump, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Crump and grandson of Lieutenant-Governor J. Taylor Ellyson, whose name the Confederate grandchild bears. When he pulled the string and the veil unfolded down its length, leaving the tablet bare, the bands broke into the strains of "Dixie," and the music was carried on the voices of the multitude.

It was the end of the ceremony incident to Memorial Day. There could have been no more fitting climax. At the foot of the west side of the stone memorial to the Confederate dead is placed the tablet to the women of Virginia. It was all that they had asked. In lieu of a monument to them, they had besought the State Legislature to appropriate \$5,000 to give to them the perpetual care of the Soldiers' Section, and this the General Assembly of Virginia did. So, as in other days they cared for the living and sent them forth to the call of battle, they will now preserve their memory sacred and cast flowers on the graves of the thousands who fought the good fight and here lie in slumber undisturbed.

GREAT THROGNS GATHER IN HOLLYWOOD CEMETERY

The greensward of the South's most noted cemetery was covered by thousands of living feet. It was, perhaps, the largest crowd gathered in recent years to pay just tribute to the dead. From the speakers' stand, through and across the little valley which divides the Soldiers' Section from that which is devoted to the other dead and up the opposite hill, 5,000 people stood and listened to the addresses of Colonel W. Gordon McCabe, fiery and stirring, and Judge George L. Christian, no less stirring and as emphatic in his appeal to the "Lost Cause" as he remembered in all the days to come as it was loved and honored when the Southern States seceded. About the stand, with their arms stacked, the soldiers of the Richmond Blues and the Richmond Grays stood, and behind them, in all directions, were lined the listening crowds. To the north, just beyond the borders of the old sacred ground, were the Richmond Howitzers, with their gun primed and charged for the solemn salute. Overhead the sky lay serene and calm. The sun shone without the shadow of a cloud. It was as if the Great Benefactor had prepared the day and made it good for the memory of the sacred cause.

GRANDCHILDREN OF CONFEDERACY SING APPROPRIATE HYMNS

When the militia had passed within the eastern gates, marching to the tune of "Onward, Christian Soldiers," and the carriages bearing the veterans and the members of the Confederate South-

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SUNSHINE COMPLETES REUNION PREPARATIONS

Veterans Pour Into Richmond From
All Parts of South and
Virginia.

SOME TOO FEEBLE TO ATTEND

Boy Scouts Render Invaluable Aid in
Piloting Aged Men to Quarters
Assigned to Them—Great Reunion
Opens To-Day.

The little god of things as they ought to be came unceremoniously to the assistance of thousands of anxious-hearted Richmonders, who saw Sunday's sun set on a season of foreboding rain and cold, and clothed Reunion Eve, yesterday, in a dazzling setting of sunshine.

The prayer for warmer weather and sunshine went up Sunday night from every Confederate heart. It was the one factor that a generous City Council and an untiring corps of entertainment committees could not foresee and, if unfavorable, prevent.

So, when the city awoke to find a blue sky and dark shadows under the trees, it rejoiced with a great rejoicing. This is to be a reunion greater and more magnificent than any reunion that has gone before, and only a full measure of genial sunshine was needed to assure its primacy.

MACHINERY OF PREPARATION IS EARLY IN MOTION

With the favor of the skies assured, the machinery of the reunion began early in the morning to adjust the preliminaries for the big Confederate occasion that begin to-day. As the special trains—fifteen or more in number—began pouring their veterans and sons of veterans and sponsors and matrons of honor and maids of honor and visitors into the city, they were met by committees-in-waiting, and promptly conveyed or directed to their quarters.

An endless stream of uptownbound carriages, automobiles, taxicabs, street cars and jitneys moved down early in the morning until late at night from the downtown railway and steamer terminals. There was no mistaking the reunion visitors. Carried high by every party, deputation and delegation was the insignia and colors of the State represented. The taxis and jitneys caught the spirit of the occasion and trailed the colors of the Confederacy from windshield and tonneau.

ESTIMATES VARY AS TO NUMBER OF VISITORS

There was no way of estimating accurately the actual number of reunion visitors who had reached Richmond (Continued on Fourth page.)

HISTORIC ROUTE TO NORFOLK

Cheapeake and Ohio Railway
Fast trains for Norfolk-Leave Richmond
9 A. M., 12 noon, 4 P. M. Special train
P. M. June 2. Delightful sail across Hampton Roads, scene of Merrimac-Monitor Naval Battle.

THOUSANDS OF VETERANS SLEEP AT CAMP STUART

At Midnight Reports Showed 4,800
Already Assigned to
Quarters.

ABOUT 4,000 EXPECTED TO-DAY

Attractive Menu Is Provided, With
Every Detail for Comfort of City's
Distinguished Guests—Many Have
Recourse to Tents.

The infrequent sentinel lights blinked drowsily over 4,800 sleeping veterans at Camp Henry C. Stuart last midnight. "Taps" had been sounded by the bugler an hour earlier.

"We have approximately 4,800 either on the ground or assigned to sleeping quarters," Adjutant Brown reported at 11:30 o'clock.

"No more trains are coming in. We will close until to-morrow morning," said Captain David A. Brown, Jr., chairman of the entertainment committee, at the registration office, a few minutes later. "The office will be open Tuesday morning about 6:30 o'clock."

Organized bodies are reporting and registering here, but other arrivals are being forwarded for accommodations to Camp Stuart. It is impossible to give an intelligent estimate of the number of visiting veterans we will have to entertain. From the statistics in hand, I will venture the assertion that to-morrow (Tuesday) will bring about 4,000. The incoming throng is a bit larger than we anticipated. However, I have no doubt that we will be able to meet the situation as it develops."

VETERANS QUARTERED AT CAMP STUART

The occupancy of Camp Henry C. Stuart began early yesterday morning. Last night the buildings on the Fair Grounds housed all the veterans who had not sought accommodations at hotels and boarding-houses, and there was room for some thousands more. Dormitories have been established, not only in the Administration Building, the largest of the structures on the grounds, but in every other habitable building, including the space under the grand stand on the race course.

It is barely possible that recourse will be had to putting visiting veterans under canvas. In that event the better accommodations will be given to the aged and decrepit. Adjutant Frank C. Brown, who is the directing spirit at Camp Stuart, does not anticipate any such contingency.

The commissary at Camp Stuart is providing rations that would make a United States regular in the field turn green with envy.

ATTRACTIVE MENU IS PROVIDED FOR TO-DAY

Here is the menu for to-day:
Fresh spots, potatoes and coffee, with

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PEACE TOO DEAR WHEN AT EXPENSE OF HONOR

Sons of Confederate Veterans Loudly
Cheer Reference to Wood-
row Wilson.

DENOUNCE SCHOOLBOOK TRUST

Miss Rutherford, of Georgia, Urges
Sons to Drive From Public Schools
Northern-Made Textbooks Which
Distort Facts of History.

From over the seas reached the sinister arm of war last night and deftly tinted with a troubled brush the opening session of the twentieth annual reunion of the Sons of Confederate Veterans.

The echo of the great European conflict was heard in nearly every one of the addresses that marked the exercises of the evening. Gathered to do honor to a martial race on the fiftieth anniversary of the sanguine conflict in which that race participated, the speakers, nevertheless, seized the occasion to dwell on the misery which to-day oppresses Western Europe and to express the hope that to this great country will be preserved the blessings of peace.

PEACE CAN BE PURCHASED TOO DEARLY

But with the hope for peace was mixed a sterner note, too. It was given clearest expression by Clarence J. Owens, of Washington, D. C., past commander-in-chief of the Sons of Confederate Veterans, who prefaced a graceful presentation of the maids of honor and sponsors with a stirring address on the patriotism and valor of the men who fought for a principle in 1861.

"But peace can be purchased too dearly, too," warned the speaker. "It is bought too dearly when it is obtained at the expense of national honor and national justice. We are a people of peace. But if in the wisdom of our statesmen and of our great chief executive in the White House it should be decided that our national honor is compromised by the further maintenance of peace, and if the call to arms should then follow, I say here that no part of the country will rally more wholeheartedly and his policies than the South, and none more promptly than the sons of the men who fifty years ago took up arms in the South's cause."

STORM OF APPLAUSE GREETED REFERENCE TO WILSON

The speaker's reference to President Wilson provoked a storm of applause, and his statement of the South's feeling towards the President in the present

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BAITHEME BY CHESAPEAKE BAY

Side trip tickets Baltimore by water also points in Virginia and the Carolinas. Low fares, Southern Railway, 301 E. Main Street.

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